



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5714

February Session, 2000

An Act Concerning Privileged Communications.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 52-146e of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) All communications and records as defined in section 52-146d
4 shall be confidential and shall be subject to the provisions of sections
5 52-146d to 52-146j, inclusive, as amended. Except as provided in
6 sections 52-146f to 52-146i, inclusive, as amended, and sections 17a-
7 101a to 17a-101g, inclusive, no person may disclose or transmit any
8 communications and records or the substance or any part or any
9 resume thereof which identify a patient to any person, corporation or
10 governmental agency without the consent of the patient or [his] the
11 patient's authorized representative.

12 Sec. 2. Section 52-146f of the general statutes, as amended by section
13 1 of public act 99-178 and section 21 of public act 99-2 of the June
14 special session, is amended by adding subdivision (9) as follows:

15 (NEW) (9) Communications or records may be disclosed if child
16 abuse or neglect, abuse of an elderly individual or an individual who
17 is disabled or incompetent is known or in good faith reasonably
18 suspected.

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

"as amended" was added for accuracy.

JUD Committee Vote: Yea 39 Nay 0 JFS-LCO